

INDIANA PHYSICAL THERAPY COMMITTEE

November 7, 2012

MINUTES

- I.** Mrs. Mary Bennett, P.T. called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. in Conference Room W064 of the Indiana Professional Licensing Agency, Indiana Government Center South, 402 W. Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204. A quorum was established.

Members Present:

Mary Bennett, P.T., Chair
Megan Certo, P.T., Member
Maria Fletcher, M.D., Member
Deborah Reed, P.T., Member

Members Absent:

None

State Officials Present:

Tasha Coleman, Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency
Crystal Smith, Assistant Board Director, Indiana Professional Licensing Agency
Gordon White, Board Advisory Council, Office of the Attorney General

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda, as amended.

Reed/Certo

4/0/0 Motion carried

III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE AUGUST 1, 2012 MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the Minutes from the August 1, 2012 meeting of the Committee, as amended.

Reed/Certo

4/0/0 Motion carried

IV. PROBATIONARY PERSONAL APPEARANCES

- A.** Sherri Jo Groce reported to the committee that her home detention bracelet was removed. She has been able to meet with her sponsor more now that she is off home detention. In reviewing the probation file, the committee determined that she is compliant with her probationary order. Ms. Groce requested to terminate her probation based on the fact that she has completed her home detention. She will need to submit a written request to terminate probation at the February 2013 meeting.

- B. Ronald Cole** did not appear before the Committee as per their request. Based on his failure to appear and his failure to submit information as per his order a motion was made and seconded to issue an Order to Show Cause at the February 2013 meeting.

Fletcher/Certo
4/0/0 Motion carried

V. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

A. Elizabeth Crabtree

Re: Positive Response Application

Ms. Crabtree did personally appear before the Committee to explain that her criminal case is still pending. Based on the fact that the case is still pending and Ms. Crabtree has a job waiting, a motion was made and seconded to grant the license on probation. Probationary terms will include keeping the Committee abreast of address, telephone number, email address, a signed copy of the probation order by her employer within 10 days of the order being issued, as well as quarterly employer and personal reports. Ms. Crabtree is required to send in the final disposition of her criminal case in December, should she be exonerated she may request to have the probationary terms lifted. Should she be convicted she will stay on probation until she has successfully completed criminal probation.

Certo/Fletcher
4/0/0 Motion carried

B. Dana Tameling

Re: Positive Response Renewal

Ms. Tameling did personally appear before the Committee to explain her pending criminal case. Because this is a renewal and the Committee must act within 90 days, and the court case is pending, a motion was made and seconded to renew the license on probation. Probationary terms will include keeping the Committee abreast of her address, telephone number, employer information, proof of attendance at AA at least once weekly, as well as quarterly employer and personal reports. She must submit a signed copy of her probationary order within 10 days of the order being issued. She may not request termination of probation until her criminal case has been resolved. Should she be exonerated she will be able to request termination of her probationary order, should she be found

Certo/Fletcher
4/0/0 Motion carried

C. Letha Engleman

Re: Reinstatement Application

Ms. Engleman did personally appear before the Committee to request that her license be reinstated. A motion was made and seconded to approve the reinstatement upon the successful completion of the national exam. She must take and pass the exam within one year; should she not pass the exam within the year her reinstatement application shall be denied.

Reed/Certo
4/0/0 Motion carried

D. Levi Bristow

Re: Positive Response Application

Mr. Bristow did personally appear before the Committee to answer questions regarding his extensive criminal history. The majority of his offenses were while in college. After reviewing the information in the file and speaking with Mr. Bristow a motion was made and seconded to approve the application and grant the license unencumbered.

Certo/Fletcher

4/0/0 Motion carried

E. Austin Straub

Re: Positive Response Application

Mr. Straub did not appear before the Committee as per their request. On the initial application for certification he failed to report criminal history that appeared on his CBC. Based on the fact that he has failed the national exam, a motion was made and seconded to deny his request for second temporary permit. Should we receive a repeat examination application, Mr. Straub will be required to appear before the Committee to answer questions regarding his failure to answer the questions correctly on his initial application.

Reed/Certo

4/0/0 Motion carried

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

A. In the matter of the certification of Patricia Mowbray, Certificate Number: 06002550A

Administrative Cause Number: 2012 PTC 0010

Re: Settlement Agreement

Disposition: A motion was made and seconded adopt the proposed settlement agreement as written, which shall include probation and a \$500 fine.

Certo/Reed

4/0/0 Motion carried

VII. APPLICATION REVIEW

A. Sharon Schultz

Re: Reinstatement Application

The Committee reviewed the reinstatement application of Ms. Schulz. In September 2011 the Committee required Ms. Schulz to successfully complete the NPTE prior to reinstating her license. Based on Ms. Schulz's failure to sit for the exam a motion was made and seconded to deny the reinstatement application.

Reed/Certo

4/0/0 Motion carried

B. Jill Tharpe

Re: Reinstatement Application

The Committee reviewed the reinstatement application of Ms. Tharpe. In September 2011 the Committee required Ms. Tharpe to successfully complete the NPTE prior to reinstating her license. Based on Ms. Tharpe's failure to sit for the exam a motion was made and seconded to deny the reinstatement application.

Certo/Reed

4/0/0 Motion carried

C. Mary Gragan

Re: Expired Renewal/Exam Attempts

A motion was made and seconded to deny the reinstatement of Ms. Gragan's license based on her failure to pass the national exam.

Reed/Fletcher

4/0/0 Motion carried

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS CONTINUED

A. Probation Report by Megan Certo: all probationers are in compliance with the exception of:

- Ruth Cenovo-Wotring: she is not in compliance in that she is not submitting information in a timely manner; therefore the Committee is requesting that she appear at the February meeting.
- Ronald Cole: is not in compliance and did not appear as requested; an Order to Show Cause will be issued for February.

B. FSBPT Report: Mary Bennett gave a report to the Committee on her notes from the annual meeting of the FSBPT. Mobility was a big issue this year, especially with military licenses. Megan gave an update on delegation of duties. The record has to be transferred and assumed by the other individual; the PT of will remain the PT that completed the evaluation unless and until the PT that is following the case acknowledges in writing in the patient chart that they are assuming the responsibility of the patient.

After attending the addicted PT/PTA session that was presented by the Kentucky Board, Megan asked if there were any options for this Committee. Tasha will speak with the Pharmacy Board Director to get information regarding their PRN program to see how the PTC can get started.

C. FAQs: Mary Bennett will work on putting together a FAQ sheet to be added to the website to assist applicants and licensees. These FAQs will come primarily from our minutes.

D. Continuing Competence: The public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, December 6, 2012. Because the MLB has changed their meeting room Tasha Coleman will notify licensees of the updated room.

E. ROEC Update: Tasha Coleman reported that ROEC's final recommendation was to allow the PTC to become an independent board.

- F. **Plan of Care:** The Committee reviewed an email from PT who treated a patient one additional visit because he had not received an order from the physician that stated that services were being withdrawn. The Committee advised that he should speak with his attorney regarding the situation as there may be additional information not available to the Committee for review.
- G. **PT Establishment:** The PTC reviewed a sign that has been out up in southern Indiana which indicates that there is a Doctor in large block letters with a much smaller physical therapist sign attached, even though the sign is misleading, it is not illegal therefore no further action is necessary on the part of the PTC.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and having completed its duties, the meeting of the Indiana Physical Therapy Committee adjourned at 1:30 p.m.


Mary Bennett, PT, Chair